#### NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

## THE GOSPELS

### JOHN

### **LESSON 14**

#### JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF GOD

John said, *"I saw, and bare record that this is the son of God."* John 1:34.

Jesus said, *"I and my Father are one."* John 10:30.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1.



Jesus said, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son" John 3:16.

Jesus said, "Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me." John 14:11.

"The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." John 1:14.

"But These Are Written, That Ye Might Believe That Jesus Is the Christ, the Son of God; and That Believing Ye Might Have Life Through His Name." John 20:31.

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# THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

# I. INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

READ THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF JOHN.

### A. Who wrote the Gospel of John.

John, the son of Zebedee, wrote the Gospel of John. The Gospel of John is named after the writer. This John is sometimes called, "John, the beloved" or the apostle John. He is not John the Baptist.

John was one of the first disciples to follow Jesus Christ, Matthew 4:21,22. He became a very close friend of Jesus. John speaks about himself as *"the one whom Jesus loved*," John 13:23; 19:26; 20:2.

At the last supper, John leaned upon the breast of Jesus, John 13:23. It is said that John listened to the heart beat of God.

John lived to be older than all the other disciples. John wrote three letters: 1, 2 and 3 John. He also wrote the book of Revelation.

#### B. When the Gospel of John was written.

John wrote the Gospel of John near the end of his life. He wrote the Gospel of John between A.D. 70 and 100.

#### C. To whom the Gospel of John was written.

John wrote the Gospel of John to the Gentiles, This is seen by the way John explained the different Jewish feasts and Jewish ways of life. The Jews knew all the Jewish feasts. They knew the Jewish ways of life. If John had written to the Jews, he would not have had to explain these things.

The Christians knew much about the life of Christ when John wrote this Gospel. But they needed a better understanding to make their

faith stronger. John wrote the Gospel of John to give the Christians a better understanding of the gospel. He also wrote to help the Gentiles believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

# D. The main thought of the Gospel of John.

The main thought of the Gospel of John is: **Jesus** is the Son of God.



"I AM" the Son of God

The key words are: life, light, truth, believe, not believe.

The key verses are: John 20:30,31.

"And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name."

### II. OUTLINE OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

- A. Jesus Christ's ministry to the world, John 1 12.
  - 1. Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, John 1.
  - 2. Jesus Christ, and the first miracle, John 2.
  - 3. Jesus Christ and Nicodemus, John 3.

- 4. Jesus Christ and the woman of Samaria, John 4.
- 5. Jesus Christ, the great Doctor, John 5.
- 6. Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, John 6.
- 7. Jesus Christ, the Water of Life, John 7.
- 8. Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, John 8.
- 9. Jesus Christ, the One Who gives sight, John 9.
- 10. Jesus Christ, the good Shepherd, John 10.
- 11. Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life, John 11.
- 12. Jesus Christ, the King, John 12.
- B. Jesus Christ's ministry to His disciples, John 13 21.
  - 1. Jesus Christ, the Teacher, John 13.
  - 2. Jesus Christ, the Comforter, John 14.
  - 3. Jesus Christ, the true Vine, John 15.
  - 4. Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, John 16.
  - 5. Jesus Christ's prayer, John 17.
  - 6. Jesus Christ, the One Who suffered in Gethsemane, John 18.
  - 7. Jesus Christ, the One Who was crucified, John 19.
  - 8. Jesus Christ, the risen Savior, John 20.
  - 9. Jesus Christ, the living Son of God, John 21.

# III. LESSONS FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

# A. Jesus, the Son of God.

John says,

"And many other **signs** truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." John 20:30,31.

Some of the signs are the miracles which Jesus did. Other signs are where Jesus called Himself "I AM." In this name Jesus shows Himself to be God.

### 1. Miracles.

John gives only 8 of the many miracles Jesus did.

Seven miracles are found in the first part of the Gospel. One is found in the last part of the book. The miracles are:



- a. Water turned into wine, John 2.
- b. The nobleman's son healed, John 4.
- c. The helpless man healed, John 5.
- d. The five thousand fed, John 6.
- e. Jesus walked on the water, John 6.
- f. The man, born blind, made to see, John 9.
- g. Lazarus raised from the dead, John 11.
- h. The great catch of fish, John 21.

These miracles show that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He did things that only God can do.

## 2. "I AM" sayings.

There are 8 other signs in the book. They are called the "I AM" sayings. When God met Moses at the burning bush, He said, "I AM," Exodus 3:14. The "I AM" sayings are found only in the Gospel of John. They are:



- a. "I am the bread of life," John 6:35.
- b. "I am the light of the world." John 8:12.
- c. "I am the door," John 10:9.
- d. "I am the good shepherd," John 10:11.
- e. "I am the resurrection and the life," John 11:25.
- f. "I am the way, the truth, and the life," John 14:6.
- g. "I am the true vine," John 15:1.
- h. "Before Abraham was, I am," John 8:58.

The soldiers came to get Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus said, "Whom seek ye?" The soldiers said, "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus answered them, "I am" and the soldiers fell to the ground. (Notice the word "he" is written differently. When words are written like this, they were added later by those who copied the Bible. The words were not in the first Bible.)

Jesus' words can be read this way, "I AM" instead of "I am he." Jesus used the same words when He spoke to the soldiers as God used when He spoke to Moses. "I AM" is a name given to God. John 18:4-8.

# B. Jesus, the Savior.

Most of the verses on salvation are found in the Gospel of John. Some of these

verses are: John 1:12; 3:16; 3:18; 3:36; 5:24; 6:40; 11:25; 12:46; 20:31.

John shows that Jesus was concerned about people. Jesus saw every person as a special person. He visited with people. In His visits Jesus showed Himself to be the Savior.

#### 1. Visit with Nicodemus.

Jesus said,

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

#### 2. Visit with the Samaritan woman.

Jesus said,

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth . . . I that speak unto thee am he." John 4:24,26.

#### 3. Visit with the nobleman.



Jesus said,

"Go thy way; thy son liveth . . . So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house." John 4:50,53.

### 4. Visit with the blind man.

Jesus said,

"... Dost thou believe on the Son of God? . . . Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee." John 9:35-37.

### 5. Visit with Mary and Martha.

Jesus said,

"I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?" John 11:25,26.

## 6. Visit with His disciples in the upper room.

Jesus said,

*"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* John 14:6.

# C. The Christian needs Jesus Christ to grow in his Christian life.

1. The Christian must feed on Jesus Christ, the Bread of life. (John 6:32-58). He feeds on Jesus through the Word of God. Jesus is the living Word of God, John 1:1,14.



- The Christian must drink of Jesus Christ, the Water
  of life. Jesus places within the Christian a well of water that is from the Holy Spirit. This reaches out to others, John 7:37-39.
- 3. The Christian must follow Jesus Christ, the good Shepherd, John 10:1-30. The good Shepherd gives the Christian abundant life, John 10:10, 11,28. The good Shepherd gives the Christian what he needs for this life, John 10:9. The good Shepherd protects the Christian against the enemy, John 10:11-15.
- 4. The Christian must stay in Jesus Christ, the true Vine. The only way a Christian can have the fruit of the Spirit is to stay in Jesus Christ. The Christian gets his spiritual food through Jesus Christ, John 15:1-6.



"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, (longsuffering) temperance: . . ." Galatians 5:22,23.

### D. All life comes from Jesus Christ.

All human life comes from Jesus Christ, John 1:3,4; 5:21-29; 11:25.

All spiritual life comes from Jesus Christ, John 3:16; 5:24; 6:40; 10:10; 11:25,26; 14:6; 20:31.

## E. The work of the Holy Spirit.

- The Holy Spirit takes Jesus' place on earth, John 16:7-14. The Holy Spirit shows Jesus Christ to the believers, John 15:26,27. The Holy Spirit wants the believer to think more about Jesus Christ than about Himself, John 16:14.
- 2. The Holy Spirit lives in the believer, John 14:16,17; Romans 8:9.



- 3. The Holy Spirit comforts the believer, John 14:16; 16:7.
- 4. The Holy Spirit guides the believer into all truth, John 16:13.
- 5. The Holy Spirit helps the believer remember the Word of God, John 14:26.
- 6. The Holy Spirit convicts the world "of sin, and of righteousness and of judgment," John 16:8-11. The Holy Spirit shows the sinner that he sins when he does not put his trust in Christ as his Savior. The Holy Spirit shows the sinner that there is a day of judgment coming.



The Holy Spirit shows the sinner that salvation is in Jesus Christ.

### F. Jesus showed the love of God through His ministry.

### 1. Jesus showed love to the religious leader, Nicodemus.

Nicodemus came to Jesus for help. Jesus showed him how to be born again. This was love. John 3:1-21.

### 2. Jesus showed love to the Samaritan woman.

Jesus met a woman of Samaria at a well. The Jews hated the Samaritans. Even the Samaritans did not like this woman because of her sin. But Jesus spoke to her. He showed her that He was the Messiah. This was love. John 4:1-26.

## 3. Jesus showed love to the nobleman.

The Jews did not like those who worked for the Roman government. A nobleman was a man who worked for the king. Because of this the Jews did not like him.

The nobleman came to Jesus for help. His son was sick. Jesus healed his son. This was love. John 4:46-54.

### 4. Jesus showed love to His friends.

Martha, Mary and Lazarus were the friends of Jesus. While Jesus was on the other side of Jordan, Lazarus became sick. His sisters sent a message to Jesus. Jesus waited awhile before He came to them. He wanted to show them His power to raise the dead.

When Jesus came to Bethany where Martha and Mary lived, He took time for them. Jesus wept. The others said,

"Behold! How He loved him!" John 11:35,36.

### 5. Jesus showed love to His disciples.

Jesus knew the disciples would not understand His death. He knew they would have great sorrow. Therefore Jesus spoke words of comfort to them, John 14:1-4. Jesus also promised to send them another Comforter, John 14:15-19, 26.

Jesus showed love to all those who would believe in Him in time to come. Jesus prayed for all believers, John 17. This was love.

### 6. Jesus showed love to His mother.

The soldiers nailed Jesus to the cross. Mary, the mother of Jesus, was there. John, the disciple, was there. Jesus asked John to take care of His mother before He died, John 19:26,27. This was love.

### 7. Jesus showed love to Mary Magdalene.

Mary Magdalene was in great sorrow because Jesus died. She wept at the tomb. Jesus showed Himself to her at the tomb. This was love. John 20:11-17.





# 8. Jesus showed love to Thomas.



Jesus came to the disciples the evening of the day He arose. Thomas was not with the other disciples. They told him about Jesus' visit. Thomas did not believe Jesus was alive.

Eight days later Jesus visited the disciples again. This time Thomas was there. Jesus spoke to Thomas and showed him the nail marks. Thomas believed. Jesus showed love to Thomas. John 20:26-29.

#### 9. Jesus showed love to Peter.

Peter denied Jesus three times when Jesus was tried at Annas' house. Peter repented. Later Jesus came and talked to Peter. Jesus asked Peter "*Do you love me?*" Jesus forgave Peter. Jesus asked Peter to take care of His sheep (the Christians). This was love. John 21:15-19.

# G. The last week of Jesus' life on earth.

#### 1. Jesus anointed.



Six days before the Passover, Mary took precious perfume and put it on the feet of Jesus. Jesus said Mary did this for His burial. To anoint means to put precious perfume or oil on a person. John 12:1-8.





### 2. Jesus honored as King.

Jesus went to Jerusalem asa King. He rode on a donkey. The people shouted: "... Hosanna - blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord." John 12:13.

Later God also spoke from heaven,

"... Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified

it, and will glorify it again." John 12:28.

# 3. Jesus and His last supper with the disciples.

Jesus washed the feet of the disciples. He showed them His love. He showed them how to live.

*"For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you."* John 13:15.

Judas left the group at supper.

"He (Judas) having received the sop, went immediately out; and it was night." John 13:30.

Jesus' last words to His disciples:

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- a. He warned Peter,
  "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, the cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice." John 13:38.
  - Jesus told the disciples about heaven, John 14:1-6.
- c. Jesus told the disciples how He and God, the Father, are one and how They work together, John 14:9-11.
- d. Jesus told the disciples He would send them a Comforter, John 14:26.

# 4. Jesus and the walk to Gethsemane.

Jesus and His disciples walked to Gethsemane. As they walked, Jesus talked to them. He told them how they could have fellowship with Him. He told them more about His death and His victory.

"These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." John 16:33.







## 5. Jesus prayer.

Chapter 17 of John is called the High Priest's prayer. It is the true Lord's prayer. In the first part of the prayer, Jesus prayed for Himself, John 17:1-5. Then Jesus prayed for His disciples, John 17:6-18. In the last part of this prayer, He prayed for all who will believe, John 17:20-26.

### 6. Jesus in Gethsemane.

Jesus was taken by the soldiers in the garden of Gethsemane, John 18:1-12.

## 7. Jesus at Annas' house.

Jesus was tried by the Jews at Annas' house. Peter denied Jesus here too. John 18:13-27.

# 8. Jesus at Gabbatha.

The Jews took Jesus to Pilate.

Pilate found Jesus innocent. However, he scourged (whipped) Jesus. He also put the crown of thorns on His head and put a purple robe on Him. Then Pilate let Jesus be crucified. John 18:28 - 19:16.

# 9. Jesus at Golgotha.

Golgotha is a hill outside of Jerusalem. Golgotha means the place of a skull. It is also called Calvary. Jesus was crucified on this hill. John 19:17-37.

*"When Jesus, therefore, had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished, and he bowed his head, and* 



*gave up the ghost."* John 19:30.



Hill of a skull



#### 10. Jesus in the tomb.



Garden tomb

#### H. Jesus, the living Son of God.

Jesus arose from the dead.

John takes two chapters to tell about Jesus being alive. He tells how Jesus

Joseph of Arimathaea and Nicodemus buried Jesus in a new tomb. John 19:38-42.





Fishing boats on Sea of Galilee



showed Himself to Mary Magdalene in the garden where the tomb was, John 20:11-18. He tells how Jesus showed Thomas that He was alive, John 20:26-29.

John chapter 21 tells how Jesus met with His disciples at the Sea of Galilee. He filled their nets with fish again. Jesus ate breakfast with His disciples. He talked to them. He told them what

they were to do. This was just like Jesus did before He was crucified.

Truly, Jesus Christ, the Son of God is alive. Jesus had overcome as He said He would, John 16:33.

# JESUS LAST WEEK ON EARTH





### IV. WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. anoint to put oil or perfume on a person.
- 2. comforter one who comforts, one who speaks words of encouragement.
- 3. convict to say someone is guilty.
- 4. meekness gentleness, not easily made angry.
- 5. ministry a work of helping people.
- 6. nobleman a man who works for a king.
- 7. presence to be where the ones spoken of are.
- 8. scourge 1) a whip or something like it used to punish a person.
  - 2) to whip or punish a person.
- 9. shepherd one who takes care of sheep.
- 10. temperance soberness; to use the things we have in the right way.

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- 11. tribulation hard times, troubles.
- 12. vine the stem of the grape plant.

# V. ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Which John wrote the Gospel of John?
- 2. What other books did John write?

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3. To whom did John write the Gospel of John?

How do we know this?

- 4. What is the main thought in the Gospel of John?
- 5. Write out the key verses for the Gospel of John.
- 6. How many miracles does John tell about in his Gospel?
- 7. What did John the Baptist call Jesus in John 1:29?

- 8. What had to happen to Nicodemus before he could see the kingdom of God. John 3:5
- 9. In what way does the Christian need Christ to grow in his Christian life?

- 10. In what way did Jesus show love to His mother when He was on the cross?
- 11. In what way did Jesus show love to Thomas after the resurrection?
- 12. In what way did Jesus show love to Peter after the resurrection?
- 13. For whom did Jesus pray in His prayer? John 17.
  - 1) , 2) , 3)
- 14. Write down 6 things the Holy Spirit does.
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  - 3)
  - 4)
  - 5)
  - 6)
- 15. In His visits, Jesus showed Himself to be the
- 16. How was Jesus honored as King? John 12:15

17. How did Jesus comfort His disciples before He was crucified? John 14:1-3

- 18. Jesus promised to send to the disciples, John 14:26.
- 19. How can a Christian have much fruit? John 15:5
- 20. What will happen to those who preach about Christ? John 16:2
- 21. What does Jesus promise the Christians? John 16:24
- 22. In whom can a Christian have peace? John 16:33
- 23. Jesus the world, John 16:33.
- 24. Jesus the work God gave Him to do on earth, John 17:4.
- 25. Jesus prayed that:
  - 1) John 17:5
    2) John 17:11
    3) John 17:11
    4) John 17:15
    5) John 17:15
    6) John 17:17
    7) John 17:21,22
    8) John 17:23
    9) John 17:24
    10) John 17:26

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